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SUBJ: POLITBURO APPEARANCES ON MAY DAY

THE THEMES OF PEKING'S MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS WERE, UNSUR-
PRISINGLY, THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT CAMPAIGN
PRODUCTION GAINS, AND THE LIBERATION OF CAMBODIA AND SOUTH
VIETNAM. CHIANG CHING, PROMINENT LAST YEAR, WAS THE MOST
NOTABLE ABSENTEE AMONG THE POLITBURO MEMBER AT EVENTS IN
THE CAPITAL. AS EXPECTED, CHAIRMAN MAO DID NOT APPEAR, NOR
DID PREMIER CHOU. THE CHAIRMAN WAS STILL IN PEKING, HOW-
EVER, AS INDICATED BY THE APPEARANCE OF POLITBURO MEMBER
AND LONG-TIME MAO ATTENDANT WANG TUNG-HSING. AMONG OTHER
POLITBURO MEMBERS, THE MOST SIGNIFICANT MENTION WAS THAT OF
TROUBLED LI TEH-SHENG, WHO APPEARED IN SHENYANG AND FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN A YEAR WAS EXPLICITLY IDENTIFIED AS A
MEMBER OF THE POLITBURO. ALL OTHER POLITBURO MEMBERS
WERE ACCOUNTED FOR IN PEKING OR IN THE PROVINCES, EX-
CEPT FOR ELDERLY AND AILING KANG SHENG AND LIU PO-CHENG.

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A NUMBER OF OTHER APPEARANCES, SECOND-LEVEL REHABILI-

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